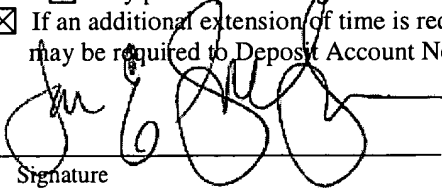
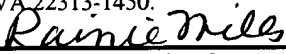


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<b>COMBINED AMENDMENT &amp; PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R.(a) (Large Entity)</b>			Docket No. <b>71,024-004</b>		
In Re Application of: <b>Christopher Madigan</b>					
Serial No. <b>10/800,456</b>	Filing Date <b>03/15/2004</b>	Examiner <b>Vishal A. Patel</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3679</b>		
Inventor: <b>SHAFT SEAL ASSEMBLY WITH RETAINING RING AND WASHER</b>					
<b><u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</u></b>					
<div style="float: left; width: 15%; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             OIPE OCT 18 2005 PATENT OFFICE           </div> <div style="float: right; width: 85%;">             This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u><b>July 12, 2005</b></u> in the above identified application.  <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"> <span style="margin-right: 100px;">Date</span> </div> </div>					
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One Month (\$120.00) <input type="checkbox"/> Two Months (\$450.00) <input type="checkbox"/> Three Months (\$1020.00) <input type="checkbox"/> Four Months (\$1590.00) <input type="checkbox"/> Five Months (\$2160.00)					
from: <u><b>10/12/05</b></u> until: <u><b>11/12/05</b></u> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"> <span style="margin-right: 100px;">Date</span> </div>					
The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMEDEMMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	17	20 =		\$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	3 =		\$200.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$120.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$120.00</b>
The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:					
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <b>120.00</b> for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-0420 in the amount of <b>\$120.00</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0420					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Any patent processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 06-0420					
 Signature			<u>October 18, 2005</u>		
Dated Jon E. Shackelford, Reg. No. 36,003 HOWARD & HOWARD ATTORNEYS, P.C. 39400 WOODWARD AVE., STE. 101 BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304-5151 248 645-1483			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">             I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on <u>10/18/05</u> with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.                Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence  <u>Rainie Mills</u>              Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence           </div>		

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